



## **QuickNotes**

*January 10, 2006*

***Come celebrate the kickoff of the Textbook Project on Wed., Jan. 11 at noon at Science and Engineering Library.*** This is a pilot project of University Libraries in partnership with the Undergraduate Student Government! There will be remarks by OSU Libraries director, Joe Branin and representatives of USG. There will also be free pizza. Beginning this quarter, University Libraries has purchased for reserve the required textbooks for over 25 GEC courses, which were identified by a working group from the USG Policy Committee. This project is one of several initiatives of USG aimed at reducing the high cost of textbooks for undergraduates.

***The EHS Library has launched -- The 411 Information Flash RSS Feed.***

<http://library.osu.edu/sites/ehs/rss/rss-feed.xml> This RSS Feed contains resources for finding information on global events and EHS Library news. To subscribe to The 411 RSS Feed you can use an online service or you can download an RSS Reader. I suggest the following readers: Feedreader for Windows (<http://www.feedreader.com/>) and NewsMac for Macs (<http://www.thinkmac.co.uk/newsmac/>). To view the 411 paste the feed address (<http://library.osu.edu/sites/ehs/rss/rss-feed.xml>) into your RSS news reader or use a browser which supports RSS feeds -- Safari for Mac OS X.

***The Winter Quarter Training Sessions for New Student Employees*** New student employees are required to attend a single two-hour library orientation workshop. The Winter Quarter workshops for new student employees will be held on the following dates:

**Thursday, January 12: 5:30-7:30pm**

**Wednesday, January 18: 2:30-4:30pm**

**Friday, January 27: 2:30-4:30pm**

All workshops will be held in **Room 122 of Main Library**. Refreshments and activity prizes will be given to the students who attend. No reservations are needed.

***There are six candidates scheduled to interview on campus for the Catalog/Catalog Coordinator/Metadata Librarian positions.*** The resumes, comment sheets, and candidate interview schedules are available on the Libraries Staff Web page under Employment / Professional Positions Available. You will need the staff ID and password to access the page. *If you are involved in any of the interviews, please print the resumes, comment sheets and interview schedules from the Web.* Please note that there is an open meeting with library employees scheduled (see below) for each of the candidates and you are encouraged to attend and participate. If you are unable to attend, you could review

and comment on the resumes. **Open presentation topic:** "The role of the catalog in the Internet Age"

**Candidate names, interview dates, open meeting times and locations as follows:**

**Melanie McGurr, Jan 11, 10 - 10:45 a.m., Room 210**

**Kang Cao, Jan 12, 10 - 10:45 a.m., Room 210**

**Keith Manecke, Jan 17, 10 - 10:45 a.m., Room 122**

**Barbara Dunham, Jan 18, 10 - 10:45 a.m., Room 210**

**Maureen Walsh, Jan 31, 10 - 10:45 a.m., Room 122**

**Janet Keppler, Feb. 2, 10 - 10:45 a.m., Room 122**

*Shannon Weiher has been appointed the Director of Development for the College of Pharmacy.*

Shannon has worked in the University Libraries for the last six and a half years, first as a junior development officer with responsibility for the Libraries Friends group and general fund raising, and more recently as a mid-level development officer with additional duties for major gift solicitations.

While with the Libraries, Shannon continued her education, earning a Masters Degree in Public Policy and Management last year. She will be sorely missed. We are planning to start the process to find a replacement for Shannon in the near future.

*We regret to report that Laura Kissel's father died on Saturday, January 7.* Funeral services will be held near Mansfield, Ohio. The Libraries will send flowers. In the meantime, our sympathies are with Laura and the family.

*Ohiolink statistics are in.* In December 2005, there were 37,442 total requests through Ohiolink. Of these, our patrons borrowed 4,219 items, and OSU Libraries sent out 2,085 items for patrons at other Ohiolink locations. In December 2004, the total was 36,424 through Ohiolink; OSU patrons borrowed 4305; OSUL sent out 4,270.

The next issue of QuickNotes will be sent to "Liball" on Tue., January 17. If you have something you'd like included, send it to Pam McClung at <mailto:mcclung.26@osu.edu> by Fri., January 13. Please make the subject heading "QuickNotes."